

DISPATCH		CLASSIFICATION SECRET	DISPATCH SYMBOL AND NO. EGPA-36122
TO Chief, SR	FROM Chief, EE; COS/Germany		RECEIVED DATE AND TIME 9. Jan. 1962
SUBJECT REDWOOD REDSKIN ABAEVSS EGPACAGE Meeting with ABAEVSS-1		RE: "EGPAC" - (CHECK "X" ONE) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARKED FOR INDEXING <input type="checkbox"/> NO INDEXING REQUIRED INDEXING CAN BE DONE BY QUALIFIED RE. TECH. ONLY	
ACTION REQUIRED For your information			

EGPA-36028, 21 December 1961.

1. On 2 January 1962 we met with ABAEVSS-1 in Braunschweig for a last meeting prior to his return to Salavat. AE-1 appeared at the meeting site in the company of Fritz KUTZNITZ (phonetic), a personal friend and co-worker of AE-1 at the ABAEVSS plant. AE-1 later explained that he had spent the better part of the day with KUTZNITZ and had invited him to have dinner with us; AE-1 appears to trust KUTZNITZ implicitly. [] also a friend of KUTZNITZ (no USSR traveller), joined the meeting a short time later. Conversation during this part of the evening was of a general nature and no operational matters affecting AE-1 were discussed. After dinner [] left with KUTZNITZ giving the writer the opportunity to be alone with AE-1. It such be recorded that AE-1 has his own notions of what constitutes good security, and while we don't anticipate any consequences as a result of the dinner, AE-1's conduct in this respect bears continuing watching.

2. We impressed upon AE-1 once more the types of personality information on Soviets which is desired. We briefed him on early warning indicators and agreed that in the event he should observe any of the indicators discussed he would so advise us in open code via mail to [] [] has been cut in on this system and will advise us upon receipt of any such communication.

3. In view of our experience to date which indicates that there are minimal opportunities for positive intelligence collection in Salavat we encouraged AE-1 to seek out and utilize all normal opportunities for outside travel particularly in the Ural area. In this context we reviewed the salient portions of Volume 1 and 2 of the SR Field Requirements Notice No. 37. We also asked that he attempt to observe any construction activity allegedly taking place near Ufa as reported by [] in EGP-5728 in November/December 1960, but unconfirmed as yet.

4. We re-emphasized our interest in obtaining a city plan for Salavat and the other towns in the immediate area (Ishmbay and Sterlitamak), photographs of major streets and public buildings, as well as data relating to transportation systems and public utilities. We expressed the belief, and AE-1 agreed, that many such items could easily be explained as souvenirs in the event he should ever be queried by Soviet authorities for having such items in his possession. We stressed, however, that he should not undertake efforts to procure any such item if this would in any way endanger his personal safety. Part of the meeting was also devoted to a briefing on Soviet provocation techniques and how AE-1 should protect himself against them. AE-1 was grateful for the suggestions offered.

5. During the conversation AE-1 relayed an experience in Salavat which he had not mentioned previously. The Soviet involved in this incident was

* GERSHOVICH, fma (AE-1's phonetic spelling, not listed in SMOS) whom AE-1 met in Salavat. The Soviet was dispatched to Salavat from GIPROGASTROPOM in Moscow (AE-1's phonetic spelling and said to be the top authority in Moscow for all new construction projects in the USSR). He came as a result of a complaint by AE-1 to the effect that some of the concrete foundations laid by Soviet workers in connection with the polyethylene plant construction were altogether unsatisfactory and unacceptable to AE-1. GERSHOVICH, an expert in this field and according to AE-1 a highly qualified and capable specialist, agreed with AE-1's complaint and ordered the concrete foundations to be re-done. At a social evening with GERSHOVICH, prior to the

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCE METHOD EXEMPTION 3828
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2005

copy filed 74-6-449/03

FORM 100-10 100-10 100-10	CLASSIFICATION SECRET	RECEIVED DATE AND TIME <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONTINUED	PAGE NO. 1
---------------------------------	---------------------------------	---	----------------------

Soviets return to Moscow and after some Vodka had been consumed (AE-1 asserted this to have been one of the rare occasions when a Soviet was permitted to associate socially with a German) AE-1 ribbed GERSHOVICH about the inadequacy of Soviet construction practices and the sloppiness of Soviet workers in general. GERSHOVICH, obviously irked by AE-1's criticism and eager to rise to the defense of his country, responded in lively fashion that AE-1 would think quite differently about Soviet capabilities if he could see the installation which he, GERSHOVICH, "had been building over a five and a half year period in the Eismeer (arctic)". At this point the ever present interpreter threw sharp and warning glances at GERSHOVICH and the conversation stopped abruptly. AE-1 said he did not see GERSHOVICH any more after this incident. We used this incident to illustrate to AE-1 that this type of spontaneous and unpredictable development could - under more favorable circumstances - conceivably lead to revelation of significant positive intelligence.

6. AE-1 was very cooperative and friendly throughout the meeting. He believes to have a much better understanding now as to the type of information which is desired. We have no doubt that AE-1 will perform to the best of his ability and will do all he can within the limitations imposed upon him by the severe Soviet security measures. AE-1 is a rather rough type of individual and not easily intimidated, but with enough good sense to size up his chances before moving. He has a booming voice and uses it to best advantage when trying to make his point. He often said that the only way to get along with the Soviets is to tell them and tell them loudly. AE-1 will depart for the USSR on 3 January 1962, travelling by plane to Moscow and continuing on to Salavat by train via Kuybishev and Ufa. In Moscow he will be met by an interpreter who will accompany him on the remaining part of the trip. He expects to finish his assignment in Salavat by July or August of this year at which time he will permanently return to Germany.

Approved: dx

Distribution:

- 2 - SR
- 2 - EE
- 2 - COS/Germany